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**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-36 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims:

- 37. (New) A purified nucleic acid segment comprising a nucleotide sequence of at least 14 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO: 1, or its complement.
- 38. (New) The purified nucleic acid segment of claim 37, wherein the purified nucleic acid segment comprises at least 15 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO: 1, or its complement.
- 39. (New) The purified nucleic acid segment of claim 38, wherein the purified nucleic acid segment comprises at least 20 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO: 1, or its complement.
- 40. (New) The purified nucleic acid segment of claim 39, wherein the purified nucleic acid segment comprises at least 30 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO: 1, or its complement.
- 41. (New) The purified nucleic acid segment of claim 40, wherein the purified nucleic acid segment comprises at least 50 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO: 1, or its complement.
- 42. (New) The purified nucleic acid segment of claim 41, wherein the purified nucleic acid segment comprises at least 100 contiguous nucleotides of SEQ ID NO: 1, or its complement.